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Generative Adversarial Training on Synthetic Data for Large-Scale Histopathology Image Segmentation

Subchondral Bone Engineering: Regeneration of Cartilage-Bone Interface to Replace Knee Prosthetics

Heavy Metal Ion Remediation via Nitrooxidized Cellulose Nanofibers

Peroxidase-Mediated Labeling of Periplasmic Proteins in Mycobacteria

Targeting gC1qR with Novel anti-U937 Monoclonal Antibodies

Targeted Bone Regeneration: Gold Nanoparticles and Low Intensity Pulsed Ultrasound as Combinational Therapy for Osteogenic Stem Cell Differentiation

The Role of FHL2 in the Development of Adult-Born Hippocampal Neurons

A Mobile Platform for Natural Sound Recognition

Cutting off Cancer: Design and Synthesis of Novel Vascular Disrupting Agents

SR-18662: A Novel Compound that Inhibits Growth of Colorectal Cancer Xenografts

Potential Implications of Ocean Acidification on Bivalve Immunity and Energy Reserves

Effect of a Single Dielectric Layer Between Ferroelectric Films During Growth

Population Decoding in Mouse Visual Cortex

Exploring Posterior Growth in *D. rerio* Using a Live Cell Cycle Biosensor **Dr. Dimitris Samaras** *Computer Science*

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Analysis of Aqueous NaCl Solutions through(TN) Molecular Dynamics Simulations

Meta-Salmon: Big Data Insights From Transcript-Level Quantification of Public RNA-seq Data

Transcriptomic Changes in Crohn's Diseaseassociated Adherent-Invasive *Escherichia coli* strain LF82 during Invasion of Intestinal Epithelial Cells

A Deep Learning Approach to Multiple Sclerosis MRI Lesion Segmentation

The Effects of Nitazoxanide on the Chaperone/Usher Pathway

Modeling Particle Selection in the Suspension-Feeding Bivalves, *Mercenaria mercenaria* and *Argopecten irradians*

Microvascular and Neuronal Dynamics of SPIO-Au Nanoparticle Transport

Automatic Necrosis Segmentation from Glioblastoma Whole Slide Images using Deep Learning

Design, Synthesis, and SAR Study of Novel FABP Inhibitors as Anti-Inflammatory and Anti-Nociceptive Drugs

Peak and Location Detection of Synaptically Evoked Dendritic Calcium Signals Using Automated Image Processing of Acute Coronal Brain Slices

Numerical Modeling of Scattering Scanning Near-Field Optical Microscopy on Phonon Resonances in Silica and Sapphire

The Role of VSS Complex in Balancing the PI Levels of Prospore Membranes for Sporulation in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

The Effects of Optogenetic Stimulation of Basolateral Amygdala Terminals in the Dorsal Striatum and its Implications in Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder in Mice

Improving Robustness of the NSLS-II X-ray Scattering Image Neural Network with Data Augmentation

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Furfuryl Alcohol Dehydration Reaction over Aluminum and Titanium Oxide Supported Tungsten Oxide Catalysts

In Silico Analysis of Bioactive Ligand Binding to Human Liver Fatty Acid Binding Protein (FABP1)

Effects of Neutral Ceramidase Inhibition by C₆ Ureaceramide in Intestinal Epithelial Cells Transformed with Oncogenic PI3K

Analysis of In-Situ X-Ray Diffraction Data of Growing BTO/PTO Heterostructures

Protein Folding Pathways from an Accelerated *in silico* Approach Combining Broad General Knowledge with Detailed Atomistic Physical Models

Exploring Color Confinement and Hadronization in Quantum Chomodynamics (QCD) through Semi-Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering

Predicted and Observed Wind Profiles over Southampton, NY

Analysing the Effect of Second and Third Order Chromatic Dispersion on Ultrafast Laser Pulses for Applications in High Speed Lock-in Spectroscopy

Supervised and Unsupervised Methods for Exploring User Stances and Preferences

Investigating the Effect of Low Intensity Vibration on the Inflammatory Response of Pre-adipocytes

NucleoVec: a Natural Language Processing-inspired Framework for Nucleotide Sequence Analysis using Vector Space Models and Machine Learning

A Novel Method to Deconvolute the Ice Core Record of Carbon Dioxide

Characterization C1q and gC1qR Expression in MSTO Mesothelioma Cells for Targeted Therapies

Constructing *Burkholderia cepacia* Complex Strains to Express mCherry for *in situ* Imaging during Infection

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Justin Zhang Thomas Jefferson HS for Science & Technology (VA) Elucidating the Impact of Mutations on Protein-DNA Binding Using Molecular Dynamics Simulations

BatTracker: Precise Infrastructure Free 3D Positioning of Mobile Devices

Stress Relaxation of Swine Femoral Articular Cartilage in Confined Compression and Indentation

Towards *de novo* Design of Protein-Peptide Interactions: Assessing Peptide Binding Site Specificities

Intraspecific Genome Size Variation in Draba verna

Developing Motion-Controlled Video Games as an Alternative Approach to Stroke Rehabilitation Therapy

Using Evoked Responses to Assess Forelimb Recovery following Cervical Spinal Cord Injury in Rats

Desalination with Thin-film Nanocomposite Membranes

Automated Hand Detection in Video with Deep Learning

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